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From: Huang, Judy [Huang.Judy@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/30/2021 2:31:04 PM
To: Chesnutt, John [Chesnutt.John@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Congressman Ted Lieu-Inquiry regarding DDT Dumping off Coast of Catalina
Attachments: Draft Response to Congressman Lieu.docx

John:

Please see attached.
Most of it is copied from the Feinstein letter.

J

From: Chesnutt, John <Chesnutt.John@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 29, 2021 5:46 PM
To: Huang, Judy <Huang.Judy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Congressman Ted Lieu-Inquiry regarding DDT Dumping off Coast of Catalina

Judy, I just spoke with Mike Alpern.

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If you could continue working on the version you started and then send to me, I would appreciate it.

JL also had a very productive discussion with NOAA last Friday. I'll talk with you about that soon.

John

From: Huang, Judy <Huang.Judy@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 29, 2021 9:20 AM
To: Chesnutt, John <Chesnutt.John@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Congressman Ted Lieu-Inquiry regarding DDT Dumping off Coast of Catalina

I do have a draft already.
No worried, it is just a slightly modified version of the letter to Senator Feinstein....
The disadvantage of starting work early....



J

From: Chesnutt, John <Chesnutt.John@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 29, 2021 9:17 AM
To: Huang, Judy <Huang.Judy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Congressman Ted Lieu-Inquiry regarding DDT Dumping off Coast of Catalina

Hold for now. See below

From: Manzanilla, Enrique <Manzanilla.Enrique@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 29, 2021 9:16 AM

To: Giarmoleo, Julia <Giarmoleo.Julia@epa.gov>; Herrera, Angeles <Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov>; Chesnutt, John <Chesnutt.John@epa.gov>

Cc: Alpern, Michael <Alpern.Michael@epa.gov>; Lyons, John <Lyons.John@epa.gov>; Helmlinger, Andrew <Helmlinger.Andrew@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Congressman Ted Lieu-Inquiry regarding DDT Dumping off Coast of Catalina

Julia and Mike

Since it was an email query from the Congressman's office, could we just send them the incoming from and response to Senator Feinstein and offer them a discussion if they wish?

Enrique

From: Giarmoleo, Julia

Sent: Monday, March 29, 2021 8:47 AM

To: Manzanilla, Enrique <Manzanilla.Enrique@epa.gov>; Herrera, Angeles <Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov>; Chesnutt, John <Chesnutt.John@epa.gov>

Cc: Alpern, Michael <Alpern.Michael@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Congressman Ted Lieu-Inquiry regarding DDT Dumping off Coast of Catalina

Good morning!

I wanted to follow-up on the below inquiry from Rep. Lieu's office? Given the nature of the request (and the recent volume of similar inquiries/responses) I think we would be able to repurpose a good amount of language from those other recent responses, but as always I defer to your expertise.

Thank you,

Julia

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From: Giarmoleo, Julia

Sent: Thursday, March 25, 2021 4:17 PM

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Cc: Alpern, Michael <Alpern.Michael@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Congressman Ted Lieu-Inquiry regarding DDT Dumping off Coast of Catalina

Good afternoon!

Below is another DDT request! This time from Rep. Lieu's office requesting updates on the DDT dumping mentioned in the LA Times article (linked below). We can respond informally via email to this request.

Please let me know how you would like to proceed.

Thanks!

Julia

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Sent: Thursday, March 25, 2021 1:20 PM
To: Gill, Sonam <Gill.Sonam@epa.gov>
Subject: Congressman Ted Lieu-Inquiry regarding DDT Dumping off Coast of Catalina

Hello Sonam,

I am writing regarding the issue of DDT and possibly other chemical pollutants that, per recent discovery and photographic footage, appear to have been dumped off the coast of Catalina Island. As reported in the Los Angeles Times article linked below (Rosanna Xia, "How the Waters Off Catalina became a DDT Dumping Ground," October 25, 2020), soil samples thus far have shown dangerously high DDT levels, and the extent of the damage caused by this pollution is unknown.

<https://www.latimes.com/projects/la-coast-ddt-dumping-ground/>

As Congressman Lieu's 33rd Congressional district encompasses the entirety of the Santa Monica coastline, which is nearby the dumping sites in question, Congressman Lieu is requesting any updates on this matter that the EPA can share at this point. Thank you for your time and attention to this inquiry. I look forward to your correspondence.

Sincerely,

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